

(SRI R. M. PATIL)

The municipal council will be instructed accordingly. I will also go and see. Afterall we have to make arrangements and we will see to it.

SRI M. S. KRISHNAN.—Sir, I am sorry I am intervening. I have one thing to say. Since you stated that the matter is not in order, I would not like what the Minister has stated to go into the records. I request that must be expunged.

CALLING ATTENTION NOTICE *re*: WATER SUPPLY POSITION IN BANGALORE CITY.

SRI T. R. SHAMANNA (Bangalore Fort).—I call the attention of the Minister for Home and Municipal Administration to the unsatisfactory position of water supply in Bangalore City. Sriyuths Vatal Nagaraj, P. Thimmiah and T. R. Shamanna have also given Notice of this calling attention.

SRI R. M. PATIL (Minister for Home and Municipal Administration).—The Board has been watching the supply position in two reservoirs Chamaraja Sagar and Hessarghatta and has been taking precautionary steps from November 1967. The quantity of water pumped from T.G. Hally was reduced and a cut at 10 per cent in the supply of water to all existing non-domestic consumers was imposed. Appeals were sent out to the public through the media of newspapers and handbills requesting them to reduce their consumption to the minimum and thus help the Board in conserving the water.

Again in the month of January 1968, the Board reviewed the situation and decided to reduce the pumpage of water from T.G. Hally Reservoir further, in addition to increase the cut on the supply of non-domestic consumers from 10 to 15 per cent. As a result of reduced pumpage the hours of supply to the Consumers had to be reduced from 6 hours to 5 hours per day. The Board also initiated a number of other measures which were found necessary for conserving the water such as stoppage of sanction of all non-domestic water connections and requesting the Chairman, City Improvement Trust Board not to press the site owners for constructing buildings until such time that the situation improves. Similarly the draw of raw water from Hesarghatta Reservoir has also been reduced to about 4.1 M.G. per day.

At the present rate of pumpage from T.G. Hally Reservoir, it is estimated that the existing capacity in the Reservoir will last upto

the end of September 1968 assuming that there will be no inflow into the reservoir till then, after making necessary allowances for the silting up of the reservoir and evaporation losses. At the present rate of draw of 4.1 MG. per day of raw water from Hessarghatta and at the present rate of pumping raw water to the City from Soldevanahally, it is estimated that the present capacity of the reservoir will last till the end of December 1968, after making allowances for the silting up of the reservoir and losses due to evaporation.

The situation is being reviewed by the Board from time to time and if it is found necessary further measures for conservation of water will have to be taken. However, the Board has taken all possible steps to see that the water supply to the City from both sources is distributed among the Citizens as equitably as possible.

A scheme for bringing 60 MGD. of water from River Cauveri at a cost of Rs. 38.00 crores was prepared by the Bangalore Water Supply and Sewerage Board. This scheme was approved by the Government of Mysore. As it was felt that the rate per thousand gallons of water worked out was beyond the capacity for payment by the consumers, the project was split up into two stages of 30 MGD. each. Government have accepted sanction for the first stage for bringing in an additional supply of 30 MGD at a cost of Rs. 22.32 crores. The Board have been working on the detailed specifications and the tenders which are likely to be issued soon. However, preliminary works, such as remodelling the distribution system, acquisition of lands, formation of roads, construction of staff quarters at treatment site, have been taken up. It is estimated that the scheme will be completed in a period of five years depending on the availability of funds.

CALLING ATTENTION NOTICE *re* : NON-ISSUE OF TELUGU PAPERS TO S. S. L. C. STUDENTS AT CHICKBALLAPUR CENTRE.

SRI A. MUNIYAPPA (Bagepalli).—Sir, I beg to call the attention of the Minister for Agriculture and Education to the non-issue of Telugu papers to the S.S.L.C. students at the Chickballapur examination centre.

SRI D. DEVARAJ URS (Minister for Animal Husbandry, Labour and Sericulture).—Sir, In behalf of the Education Minister, I have to state the facts of the case, that the Telugu Examination under Part I of the S.S.L.C. Examination was to be held on 1st April 1968. The Superintendents of the centres at Chickballapur, Bagepalli and Mulbagal opened the question paper packets and found that instead of the Telugu Language Paper some other subject papers were kept in the packet though the marking on the outside